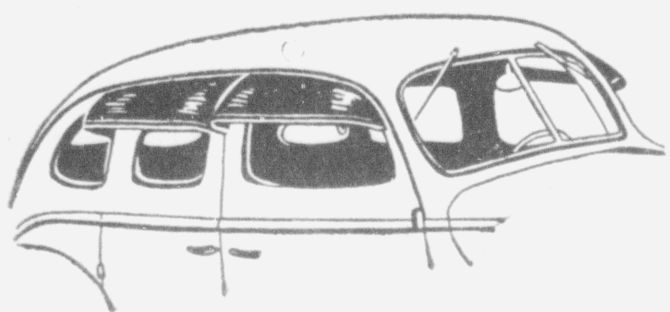


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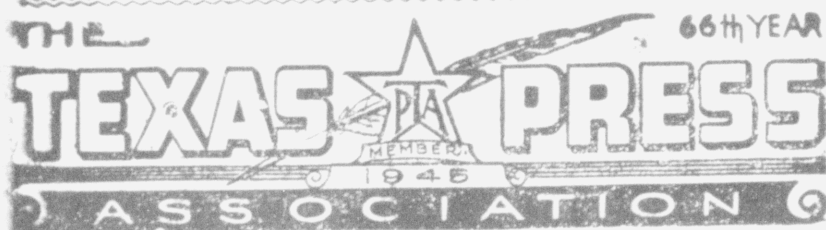
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The cry that pending labor legislation, which is supported in all its basic particulars by heavy majorities in both Senate and House, is punitive and reactionary, and threatens to set the labor movement back generations, has without justification in fact. What the legislation would do is to curb labor racketeering, not of commodities, such as coal only in the interest of the public, which are essential to the public and of industry, but in the interest of health and welfare. Secrecy in use of the working man himself. For example, this legislation is designed to either prohibit or restrict such abuses as the closed shop, industry-wide bargaining, their money is going. The jurisdiction as to the disposal of national strike is defended by

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From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

Want to Run a "Collective" Farm?

Was reading the other day about the "collective" farms they have in certain countries. It seems the folks who run them have plenty of help ... good hours ... and the best equipment.

Sounds pretty nice—till you learn that the "farmer" doesn't own his land, or even farm it, in our sense. He takes orders from the state; produces whatever they want him to produce, at prices they set. Ever his off-hours are spent according to state regulations.

No, that would never go here.

We're willing to work hard, but we like to farm the land our own way, put our own value on the crops, and relax as we like—if only with a temperate, companionable glass of beer.

From where I sit, collective farming may produce results. But the American way—freedom to work and relax as we see fit—is what makes this country a great place to live. So let's not change it!

Joe Marsh

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Miss Carolyn Snipes Became the Bride of Mr. Earnest McDaniel Jr. of Crowell In a Candle-light Ceremony at Oak Grove

Miss Carolyn Grace Snipes became the bride of Mr. Earnest McDaniel Jr. in a candle-light ceremony read by the Rev. A. W. Robertson in the Oak Grove Methodist Church before an altar decked with candelabra, baskets of Oregon fern, white chador and larkspur, Sunday afternoon, May 25, at 3 o'clock.

The bride's mother, Mrs. A. B. Snipes, was ushered to her place to the strains of "O Promise Me". The candles were lighted by Misses Bobby Jean Layfield and June Belew while "Memories" was being played.

Miss Peggy Jean Layfield sang "Always" and "I Love You Truly" with Mrs. A. W. Robertson, pianist, playing the nuptial music.

The bride's attendants, Mrs. D. L. Locke, matron of honor, wore a blue embroidered velvet gown, and Miss Earline Perrin, bridesmaid, wore a pink velvet embroidered tulle dress. The dresses were made with caped sleeves, sweetheart-necked bodices and puffed skirts. Both attendants wore white gloves. Mrs. Locke wore a corsage of pink carnations and Miss Perrin wore blue carnations.

Mrs. McDaniel was given in marriage by her father. She wore a white velvet embroidered gown with a sweetheart neckline, scalloped caped sleeves, and bodice with navy accessories. She also wore a single strand of pearls. For something old she wore her grandmother's white crocheted gloves. She carried a white Phil topped with white shattered carnations and streamers with carillons of carnation petals.

Mr. Bill Perdue of Hamlin, Texas, was best man and Thomas Snipes of Dallas was groomsmen. Emory Dan Hilton and Gene Snipes were ushers.

Mrs. McDaniel is a graduate of Decatur High School and Decatur Baptist College. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Snipes of Decatur.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Crowell High School and has attended Decatur Baptist College. He was in the Navy for two years and served sixteen months in the Pacific. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. McDaniel, Sr. of Ford City, Texas.

no one save a few labor extremists who want unlimited power—and be damned to the public interest.

The two main bills now before Congress, which will be adjusted by joint House-Senate committees, are fair and equitable. They place a responsibility upon labor which has long been borne by industry and all other segments of the economic structure of the country. They represent an honest effort to correct unconscionable abuses which, if permitted to go on, would really wreck the labor movement by making it a haven for thugs and racketeers.

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Then a cast of ten boys, dressed as Indians, presented a very interesting Indian War Dance.

The climax of the evening was the two colorful May Pole dances. Each May Pole had a double circle of girls attired in frilly, pastel colored costume. This was a beautiful sight to behold, and it was definitely enjoyed, as was all the program, by each spectator.

Plans for the coming year are already being made to present to the public a May Fete even more entertaining.

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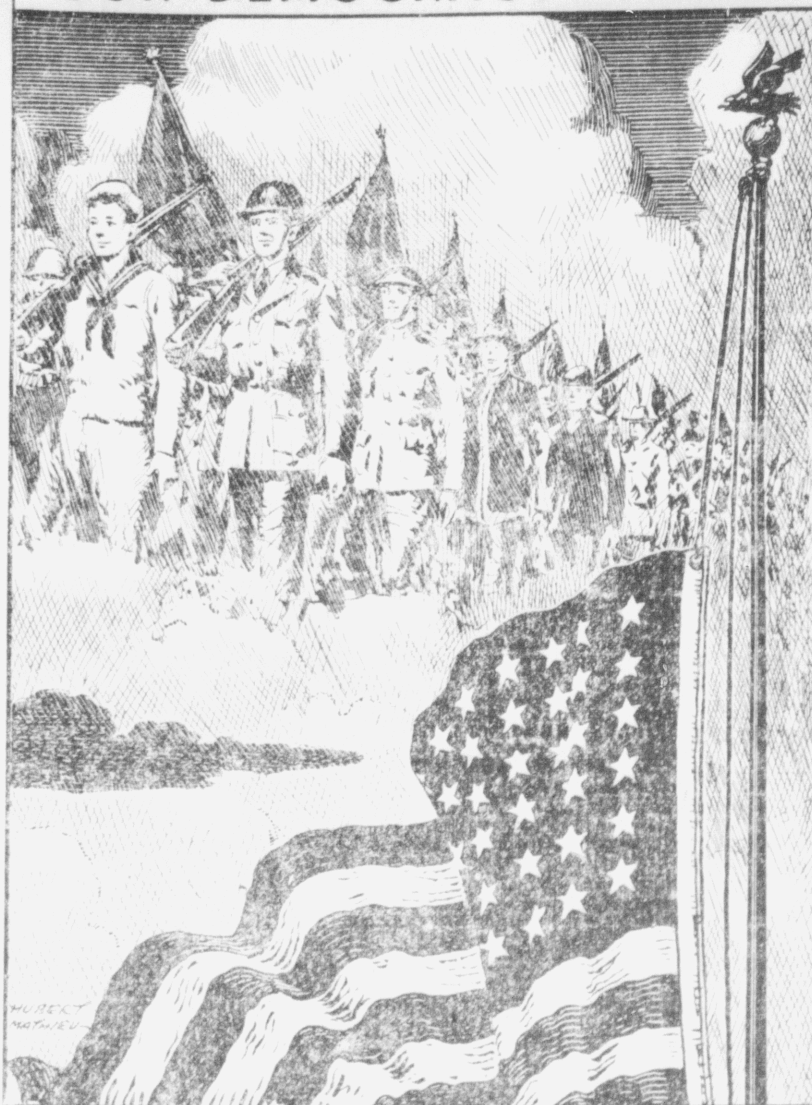
Geo. Mabry is extending and remodeling his business building and will add to his business as soon as the remodeling and repainting is complete.

The laundry which has been using part of the building was sold last week, with the equipment being moved to another city in south Texas.

The building will be remodelled within a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Cousins of Beaumont visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harper over the week end.

OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat



MEMORIAL DAY

—when all of us unite to honor our country's heroes, to recount their brave deeds and their sacrifices—in the spirit of solemnly rededicating ourselves to the high ideals of Our Democracy.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walker from Temple, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Walker from Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Mosley and daughter from Gainesville were here this week visiting their mother, Mrs. E. Walker, who is ill in a local hospital.

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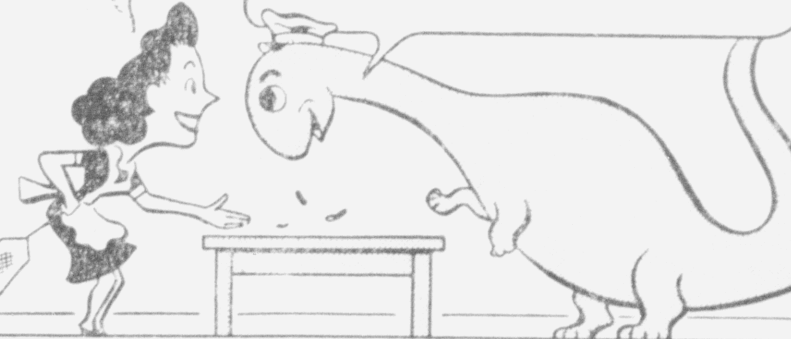
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Bobby New

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Class Creed — "Believe In Thyself"

1. Invocation Wilfred Starnes
2. Salutatory Margie Pitts
3. Class Prophecy Virginia Watson
- Class History Bobby New
4. Class Creed Venita Potter
5. Song: "Farewell To Our School" Class
6. Class Will Venita Potter
- Address to Class Bro. Fowler
7. Presentation of Diplomas Mr. Clark
8. Acceptance of Diplomas Venita Potter
9. Valedictory Virginia Watson
10. Presentation of Promotion Certificates Mr. Clark
11. Reading: "An Appreciation" Lorene Spann
12. Presentation of Awards Mrs. Clark

SEC. 3. The Governor shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by the constitution and laws of this state.

Mrs. M. B. Hill of Hillsboro is visiting Mrs. L. Renshaw.

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LIVE BAGGAGE—Four first graders, part of the Decatur public schools group who toured the Texas & Pacific station Monday as Fort Worth & Denver City Railway Company guests, make a closer examination of depot transportation. Left to right, on the wagon, are Tedy Jackson and Gerald Roberts, on the ground are Billy Wayne Adams and Jimmy Kimbro.

to Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Texas, adding Sections 17 and 18 providing for the levying of a state ad valorem tax on property in lieu of the present state ad valorem tax of Seven (7c) Cents for Confederate pensions; in order to create special funds necessary for the payment of Confederate pensions; and for the financing of the construction and equipment of buildings and other permanent improvements at state institutions of higher learning, in the amounts of Two (2c) Cents and Five (5c) Cents respectively; providing for a Five Cent reduction of the maximum allowable state tax on property, making such tax not to exceed Thirty (30c) Cents on the One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars valuation; providing a method of payment for the construction and equipment of improvements and buildings at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas and the University of Texas.

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SHORT STORY

Best Insurance

By HENRY SUTER

JONATHAN LANGDON waited patiently behind the diamond counter in McLaughton's jewelry store. He was one of the store's oldest clerks, quiet, dependable, efficient. He was pondering over something this morning and his fellow clerk, Philip Smart, in charge of the watch repair section, speedily observed it.

"I'm wondering about the old man," began Langdon. "For the life of me I don't see why he had to take out theft insurance. We've managed without it all the years I've been here and nothing has been taken yet. Burglar insurance, of course. But why spend money to protect yourself against theft out of the store when he must realize what a smart bunch he has toiling for him? Why couldn't he put that money to better usage by slipping me the raise I asked for?"

"I guess it was that glib insurance salesman he fell for," replied Philip.

"Sure enough, still I think the old man is wasting good money—" The interruption was caused by the entrance of a customer.

This was a portly, middle aged gentleman, immaculately dressed, who would have made an impression



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anywhere. Langdon greeted him with his most gracious smile.

"I want something in a two carat solitaire, the very best you have in the place. It is for my daughter, and I want it as a graduation present!"

Langdon hurried to the safe and brought out a tray of sparkling beauties. Mr. Blake gazed upon them carefully one by one and finally selected one.

Langdon went back and put the rest of the tray of rings in the safe. "Just let me run up to the hotel and get my check book. You keep this stone out till I get back."

Ten, 15, then 20 minutes lapsed and the customer had not returned to complete his purchase.

Just then the door of McLaughton's office opened.

"Well, Jonathan," he began, "I presume you still think we do not need any insurance and that I should use that part of our budget towards giving you a raise?"

"Well, yes, I do think so really. You know my sales have almost doubled in the last year."

"THAT is true, Jonathan, and I appreciate it. Yet you must consider that in selling diamonds, the store is taking big chances. I don't mean in a hold-up or a burglary. But, just suppose some smooth artist came in here and got away with a valuable diamond."

"Oh! but they couldn't do that with me," returned Langdon promptly. "I've been here 10 years and no crook has ever gotten away with it, yet."

"That's what you think," smiled McLaughton. "Now take that last customer. I watched everything from the start. You, of course, assume that everyone who comes in here is just as honest as you. That is why you left him standing there with a valuable diamond in his possession while you turned your back and put the rest of the tray in the safe. In the minute you were gone, he substituted a phoney diamond and walked right out with the genuine diamond."

"So you saw the whole thing, and let him get away with it! I don't understand."

"You can come in now, Blake!" called McLaughton.

"Meet Mr. Blake, of the Dependable Insurance system," said the smiling McLaughton.

"Sorry we had to make you the guinea pig, Buddy," Blake began, as he took a sparkling solitaire out of his pocket and placed it upon the desk. "But I just had to convince your boss here how essential it is to have the insurance."

"Take a look at that diamond on your desk, Mr. McLaughton," said Langdon calmly.

"Why, it's nothing but a phoney," he cried.

"Sure," remarked Langdon quietly. "You don't suppose I'd leave diamonds around for strangers to pick up, do you? I made the switch before I put the tray away in the safe. Now, Mr. McLaughton, do I get my raise or not?"

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Proposed Constitutional Amendment—LEGAL NOTICE

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Texas by the addition of two new sections to be known as Sections 17 and 18 providing a special fund for the payment of Confederate pensions and providing a method of payment for the construction and equipment of buildings and other permanent improvements at state institutions of higher learning; providing for a five-cent reduction in the maximum allowable state tax on property; providing for an election and the issuance of a proclamation therefor.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto Sections 17 and 18 which shall read as follows:

"SECTION 17. In lieu of the state ad valorem tax on property of Seven (7c) Cents on the One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars valuation heretofore permitted to be levied by Section 51 of Article 3, as amended, there is hereby levied, in addition to all other taxes permitted by the Constitution of Texas, a state ad valorem tax on property of Two (2c) Cents on the One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars valuation for the purpose of creating a special fund for the payment of pensions for services in the Confederate army and navy, frontier organizations, and the militia of the State of Texas, and for the widows of such soldiers serving in said armies, navies, organizations or militia; provided that the Legislature may reduce the tax rate hereinabove levied.

"ALSO, THERE IS HEREBY levied, in addition to all other taxes permitted by the constitution of Texas, a state ad valorem tax on property of Five (5c) Cents on the One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars valuation for the purpose of creating a special fund for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and initially equipping buildings, or other permanent improvements at the designated

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Stephen F. Austin State Teachers College 4.55414
Sul Ross State Teachers College 2.15315
West Texas State Teachers College 5.41643
Prairie View Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas 5.34416

"NOT LATER THAN JUNE 1st of the beginning year of each succeeding ten (10) year period, the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, based on the average long session full-time student enrollment for the preceding five (5) year period of time, shall reallocate to the above designated institutions of higher learning then in existence, all funds to be derived from said Five (5c) Cent ad valorem tax for said ten (10) year period; and all such designated institutions of higher learning which participate in the allocation or reallocation of such funds shall not thereafter receive any other state funds for the acquiring or constructing of buildings or other permanent improvements for which said Five (5c) Cents ad valorem tax is herein provided, except in case of fire, flood, storm, or earthquake occurring at any such institution, in which case an appropriation in an amount sufficient to replace the loss so incurred may be made by the Legislature out of other state funds. This amendment shall be self-enacting. The State Comptroller of Public Accounts shall draw all necessary and proper warrants upon the State Treasury in order to carry out the purpose of this amendment; and the State Treasurer shall pay warrants so issued out of the special fund hereby created for said purpose."

"SECTION 18. For the purpose of constructing, equipping or acquiring buildings or other permanent buildings or other permanent improvement, the Board of Directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas is hereby authorized to issue negotiable bonds or notes not to exceed a total amount of Five Million

provements at the designated institutions of higher learning; and the governing board of each of such institutions of higher learning is fully authorized to pledge all or any part or said funds allocated to such institution as hereinafter provided, to secure bonds or notes issued for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and initially equipping such buildings or other permanent improvements at said respective institutions. Such bonds or notes shall be issued in such amounts as may be determined by the governing boards of said respective institutions, shall bear interest not to exceed three (3%) per cent per annum and shall mature serially or otherwise not to exceed ten (10) years from the first (1st) day of January of each year in which such funds are allocated or reallocated to said respective institutions; provided, the power to issue bonds or notes hereunder is expressly limited to a period of thirty (30) years from the date of the adoption of this amendment; and provided further, that the Five (5c) Cent tax levied shall expire finally upon payment of all bonds hereby authorized; provided further, that the state tax on property as heretofore permitted to be levied by Section 9 of Article VIII, as amended, exclusive of the tax necessary to pay the public debt, and of the taxes provided for the benefit of the public free schools, shall never exceed Thirty (30c) Cents on the One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars valuation. All bonds shall be examined and approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas, and when so approved shall be incontestable; and all approved bonds shall be registered in the office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas. Said bonds shall be sold only through competitive bids and shall never be sold for less than their par value and accrued interest.

"FUNDS RAISED FROM A FIVE (5c) Cents tax levied on the ten (10) year period beginning January 1, 1948, are hereby allocated to the following institutions of higher learning, and in the following proportions, to wit:

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"SAID BOARDS ARE severally authorized to pledge the whole or any part of the respective interests of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas and of The University of Texas in the income from the Permanent University Fund, as such interests are now apportioned by Chapter 42 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the 42nd Legislature of the State of Texas, for the purpose of securing the payment of the principal and interest of such bonds or notes. The Permanent University Fund may be invested in such bonds or notes.

"ALL BONDS OR NOTES issued pursuant hereto shall be approved by the Attorney General of Texas and when so approved shall be incontestable."

SEC. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at a special election to be held throughout the state on the fourth Saturday in August, A. D. 1947, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon:

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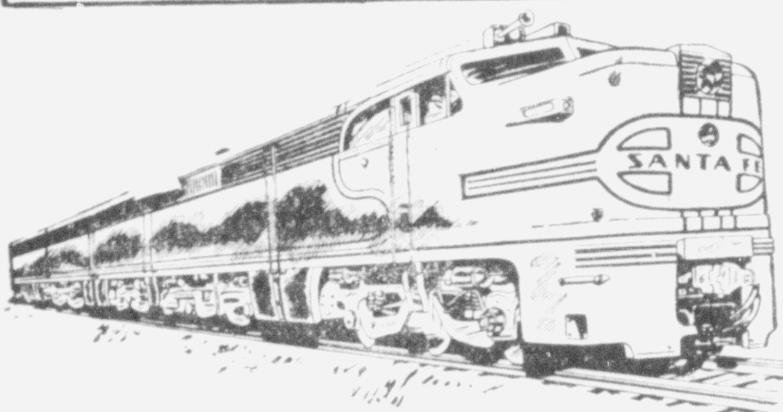
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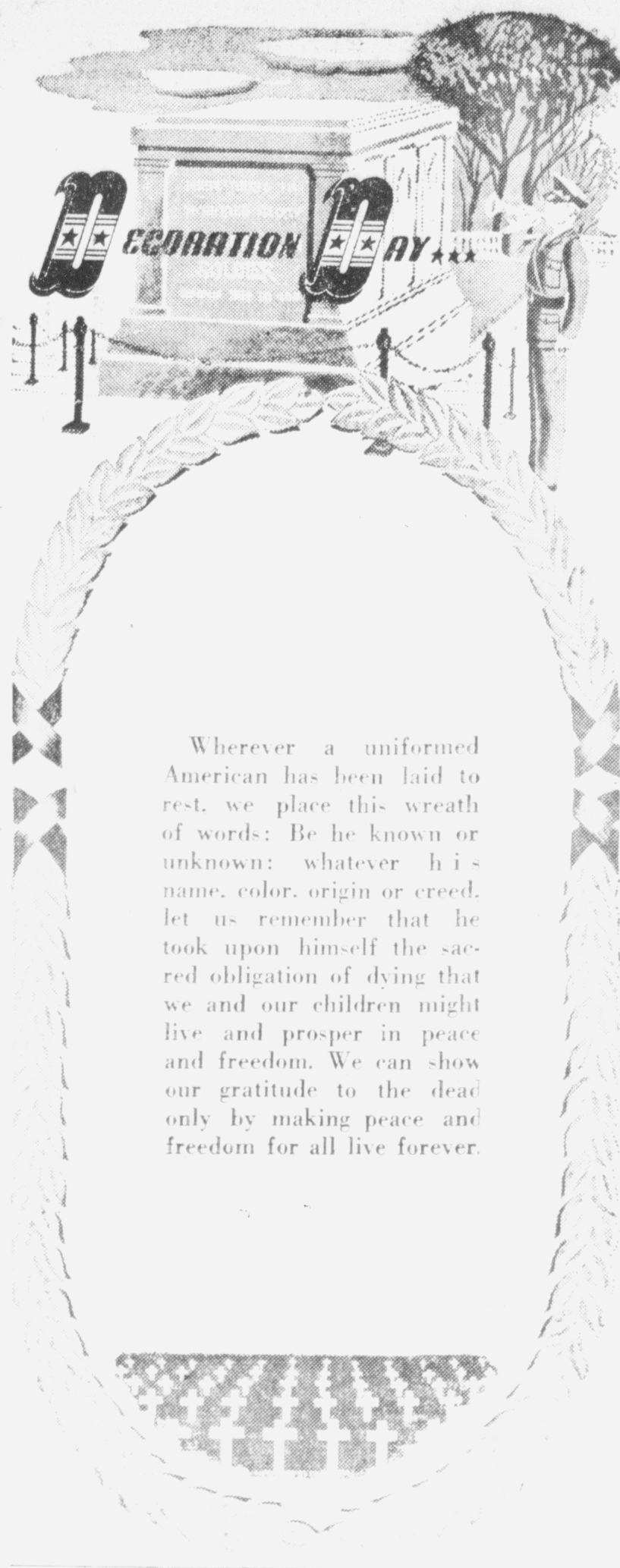


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Mrs. Don Martin of Weatherford, Mrs. Bert Moore and son Pat of Denton, Miss Anita Patterson of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Garland and Suzanne of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Waggoner of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Millican of Greenwood and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Millican, Decatur, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Patterson Tuesday night. They all attended the commencement exercises at the High School. Fred Patterson was a member of the graduating class.

Mr. and Mrs. Burch Gregg and son from Dalhart are visiting his mother, Mrs. M. Gregg.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Doyle have bought the A. A. Bass property in the northwest part of town and will move there as soon as they can get possession.

Mr. and Mrs. Neut Crabtree of Denton visited relatives here Saturday.

Marvin Badker was in Wichita Falls on business last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. McCaleb of Center are visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. D. A. Carpenter.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rieger visited Mr. and Mrs. W. Carl Loveless in Dallas over the week end.

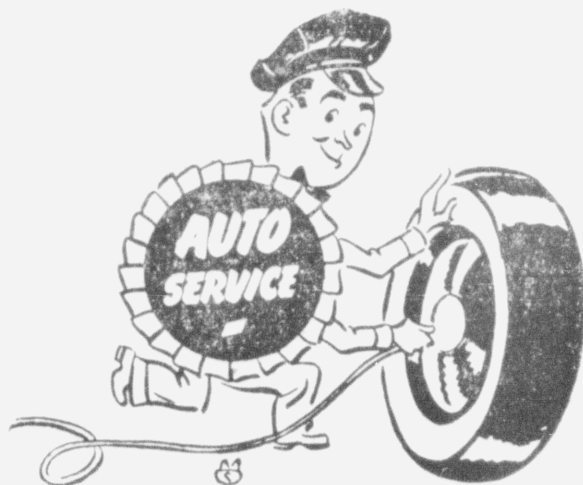
Pug Coleman has accepted a position with the Master Cleaners in Fort Worth. He is making his home here.

Mrs. Pauline Moss left today for her home in Tuscaloosa, Ala., after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cates.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Fuqua of Beaumont were in Decatur on business last week.

Miss Ruth Cunningham from McAllen, Texas, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Cunningham here this week.

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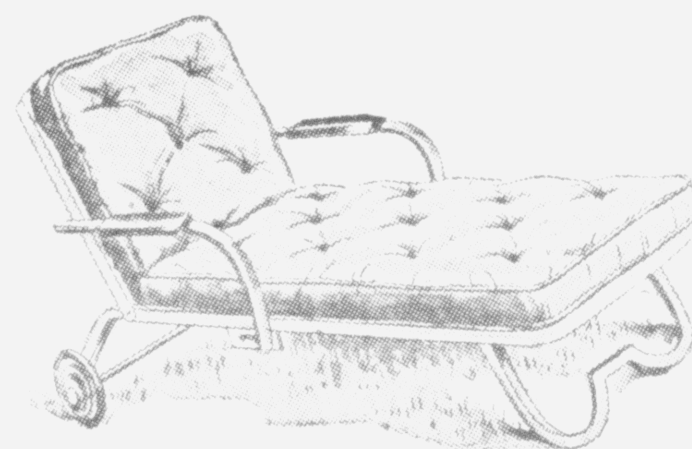
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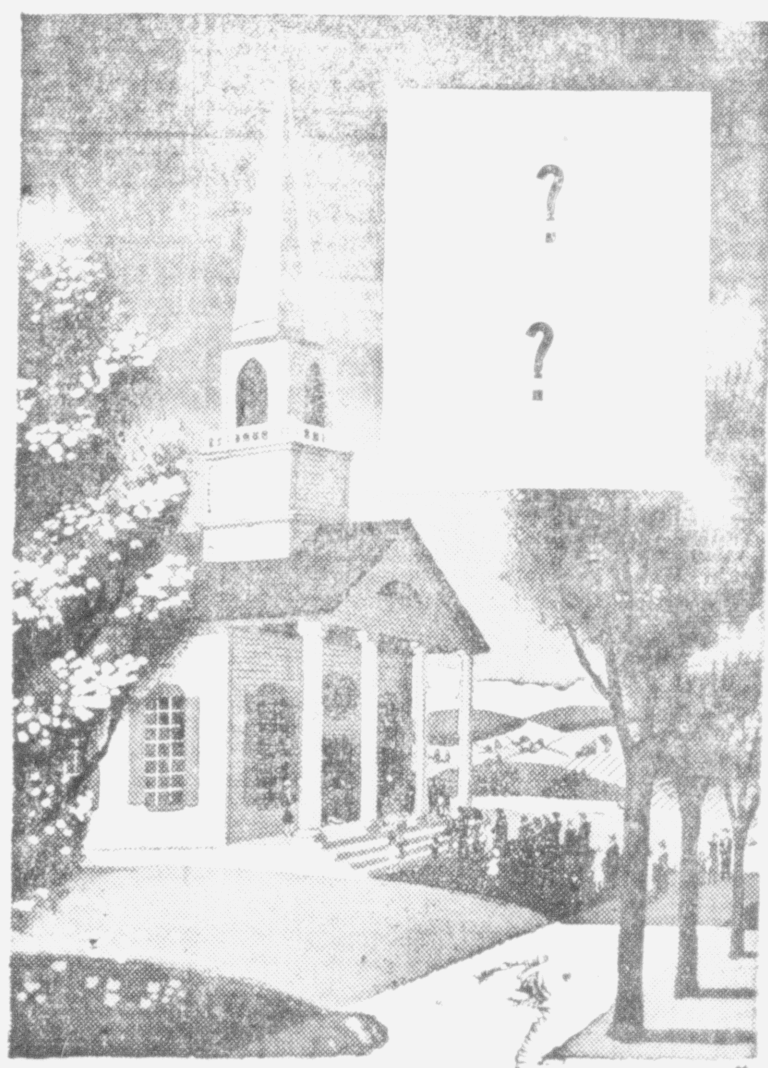
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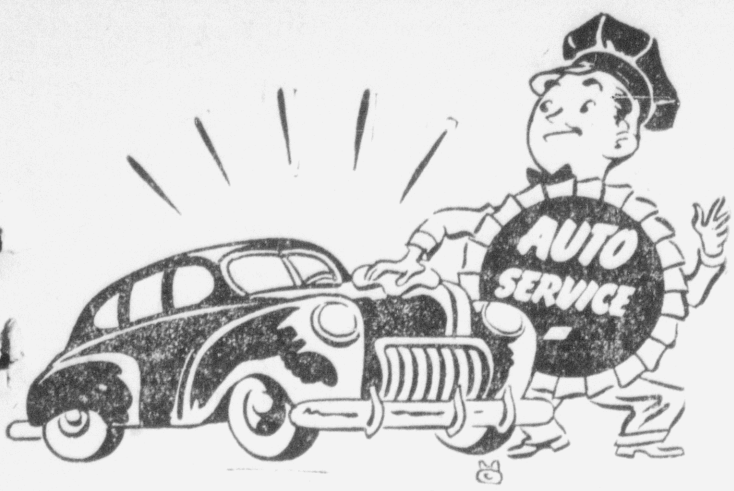
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WISE COUNTY LONG AGO

Items from the files of the Messenger of
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25 YEARS AGO—
 May 26, 1922

HIGH SCHOOL HAS SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Culminating one of the most successful sessions of school from every point of view in the history of this great Decatur institution, the Decatur graduating exercises in the high school auditorium tonight at 8 o'clock. The school has the largest graduating class it has produced in a number of years, there being seven girls and six boys to receive diplomas this evening are: Misses Lucile Pickett, Zera Cunningham, Edith Taggart, Ruth Gilliland, Helen Hoyl, Mary Frances Bennett, Flossie Montgomery and Messrs. Faust Nobles, J. P. Boyd, Roy Kerr, Keith LeFors, Hale Cates and John Houston Sellars.

Miss Frances Jackson graduates in piano and Miss Edna Mae Boyd graduates in expression also. They are pupils of Misses Christine Thurmond and Lela Mann. Miss Mary Frances Bennett was honored as Valedictorian of the class, making an average grade for the entire session of 94.2. Miss Flossie Montgomery ran a close second making a grade of 93.2. Rev. L. D. Shower will preach the commencement sermon next Sunday at the Methodist Church.

50 YEARS AGO—

May 27, 1897

On the first day of next June, the bill permitting the printing and use of private mailing cards with a one-cent stamp affixed will go into effect. The bill is approved by the post office department, as it tends to popularize post cards, besides effecting a saving to the government of the difference between the cost of the cards and the stamps.

The regular May-June term of the district court was convened Monday morning at ten o'clock by Judge Patterson. The grand jury was instructed how to proceed in minor details to their room and are now after the law breakers. The following officers of the jury are: A. E. Barksdale, Chien, door keeper; Joe Robinson, waiting bailiff and the constables of the different county precincts compose the riding bailiffs.

It has been reported that J. W. Dale has purchased the interest of Jamison & Carter in the Free Press and it will be consolidated with the Wise County Messenger, and the name changed to the Decatur Messenger.

LAWN PARTY

Mrs. Gantt and Mrs. Hill honored us in giving the 5th grade a Lawn Party Wednesday, May 14. They served refreshments of cookies and punch. We played games of all kinds. There were six children present from Mrs. Brown's room. We enjoyed the party very much.

Miss Bell Ford, our teacher, was honor guest at the party. She was presented a box of stationery. There were 43 present.

The ladies worked very hard, so again, we thank them for it. Fifth Grade Reporter.

SPRING PASSED BY SUMMER IS HERE

There is the saying that a man overslept and missed the spring, and it could have been this year, if weather is what was missed.

There has been little spring weather, rain, fog, and cold weather has prevailed most of the spring season. Such weather has been good on crops and a bumper harvest is in prospect provided the weather will cooperate at this critical period. Many farmers are now cutting, and the harvest will be in full swing in a week or two.

The weather Sunday changed for the better, with Sunday and Monday bringing summer weather. We hope it continues.

M. W. Tarrant of Temple is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Lee Burke and Mr. Burke.

GOSE FAMILY REUNION
 Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sellars, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Mack, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harper, Miss Ada Harding of Decatur and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Cousins of Beaumont attended the Gose family reunion at Wichita Falls Sunday. There were 125 relatives and 9 visitors present to enjoy this annual affair.

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Miss Beverly Wren Presented in Recital

On Tuesday evening at her home, Miss Isabelle Hunt presented Miss Beverly Wren in an expression recital.

During the evening Beverly entertained friends with the following readings: "The Music Master," "Romance and Kid Brother," "Betty at the Baseball Game," "Counting Daisy Petals," "Katydid," "The Dry-Cleaned Convert," "The Old-Fashioned Girl and Her Bear," "The Modern Girl and Her Dad," and "The Little Band of Gold."

Following the recital, the hostess served refreshments to twenty-five guests.

For the last two years Beverly has been studying public speaking. During these years she has won first place in the district declamation contests and has participated in regional contests. She is a graduate of Decatur High School this year. She plans to go to college and major in public speaking.

Grade Teachers Entertained Tuesday

The grade school teachers were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Hann Tuesday noon. A delicious chicken dinner was served to the staff of teachers.

As a surprise feature a mid-trip phone had been "planted" to record table chatter. Great was the amusement when it was played back. Much laughter and exchange of varied opinions.

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A Schaeffer Lifetime pen was the faculty's gift to their principal and host, Mr. Cleo Rann, who is at all times a most helpful friend to all those who teach for him.

Those present were Mmes. B. A. Mann, C. T. Cobb, Bill McDonald, Floyd Doyle, E. J. Martineau, A. H. Massingill, Mattie Brown, O. L. James, Jess Morris, Keith Cates, Henley Ramsey, Misses Lela Mann, Bell Ford, Ada Harding, and Mr. Flowers.

Recordings were made of a quartet, group singing, and just ordinary "chatter."

Charline Webb Shower Honoree

Miss Charline Webb was honored Friday, May 23, at a miscellaneous display shower by Misses Joy Mearns, Patsy Stevens and Betty Thompson at the Owl Club. Miss Mearns acted as hostess, Misses Chauncey and Thompson served the punch and cookies and Miss Stevens presided at the bride's book.

Miss Webb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Webb, is to be married June 7 to Mr. Howard Wilkinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Wilkinson of Bridgeport, at the Decatur Methodist Church.

Ida M. Hudnall of Rhame Elected to TSCW Council

DENTON (Sola).—Ida Margaret Hudnall of Rhame has

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been elected to the executive council of the Baptist Student Union at Texas State College for Women in Denton.

A music major, she will serve as secretary of the BSI for 1947-48. She will be in charge of all records and correspondence for the organization. For the past year, she has served as president of a Baptist Training Union.

Honor Graduate

Billy Helm Nobles, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Helm, of Denton, is graduating from North Texas High School with honors. Each year he has received a Linx Pin for his scholastic record and has the Linx four year award and the Arthur A. Evans award.

He was one of sixteen elected to the three hundred to membership in the National Honor Society and was president of his class. He served on the staff of the school paper and

plans to enter D. B. C. in September.

WSCS Meets

Mmes. Irene Lively, M. P. Jeffers, and Walter Stokes were hostesses to the Woman's Society of Christian Service, which met Monday, May 26, in the church. The program, "The Child and His Family," was directed by Mrs. W. V. Patton.

Handicapped children of the world was a subject of great interest discussed by Mmes. W. W. Brown, Cal McCurdy, Fred Thomason, H. S. Perry, and L. B. Reed. These ladies each talked on the health centers, supported by the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the United States, Africa, and India.

A special and appreciated feature of the afternoon was contributed by three young women of the Wesleyan Guild, Mrs. Melvin Thompson, accompanied by Mrs. James Keith, sang "O Happy Home," and "We Give Thee But Thine Own". Mrs. Nolan Boydston read Jane Murray's poem, The Child.

Mrs. Massingill was a guest of the afternoon.

The hostess served refreshments of salad, cookies and coffee.

Next meeting will be in the church Monday, June 2.

Graduates At TSCW, Denton

DENTON (Spl.).—Among the 323 candidates for bachelors degrees from Texas State College for Women is Mrs. Elizabeth Ward Kincaid, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Ward. Degrees will be awarded June 2-9 a. m. in the College Auditorium.

Garden Club Installs Officers

In the beautiful country home of Dr. and Mrs. T. G. Rogers, officials of the Garden Club were installed Tuesday morning, May 27.

Mrs. Rogers acted as installing officer and the following ladies were installed:

Mrs. Floyd Kenney, President; Mrs. H. G. Woodruff, 1st Vice-Pres.; Mrs. F. P. Martin, 2nd Vice-Pres.; Mrs. Nolan Boydston, Secretary; Mrs. Buster Pearson, Treasurer; Mrs. Robert Sellars, Parliamentarian; Mrs. C. W. Ferguson, Reporter.

Following the business meeting the guests were directed to a shady picnic ground where tables were arranged for the picnic lunch. The hospitality of Mrs. Rogers was greatly appreciated by all those present.

Miss Modena Burnett enjoyed every bit of her trip to Arizona, where she spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Nutter, Mrs. Nutter was Miss Martineau of Decatur.

They took in the Grand Canyon and its awe-inspiring grandeur, its changing colors, and many other features of its scenery.

The Indians were celebrating also, which was of much interest to those who had never seen any of their tribal dances.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Brother T. G. Malphrus of Gilmer, Texas, concluded his two months of Special Bible drill last Lord's Day. We feel that the whole congregation has been strengthened by his untiring effort to teach them the word of God.

There will be preaching here Thursday night at 8 p. m. Also Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Everybody is invited to attend.

FUNDAMENTALIST CHURCH

Three hundred and forty-two were present for Sunday School last Sunday Morning. Pastor E. E. Taylor brought a very spiritual message at the morning hour and four came forward for church membership and rededication of their lives at the close of the message. This was followed by a Baptismal Service. Every one felt it was good to

be at the House of the Lord Sunday evening service was dismissed for the Baccalaureate Sermon held at the First Methodist Church.

Several who did not attend the service at the First Methodist Church Sunday evening attended the Independent Revival being conducted by Rev. Gilbert Wilson, located on the lot just north of the Fundamentalist Church. Rev. Wilson is among the best gospel preachers and we are happy to cooperate in the winning of souls for Christ. Everyone is invited to take part in this revival.

Regular services throughout the week and next Sunday. Pastor present at all services. "Attend a Going Church for A Coming Lord."

W. E. Edwards spent the week end with relatives at Olney.

Mrs. C. W. Ferguson attended the wedding of her nephew, Robert H. Miller Jr. in Fort Worth last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Miller Sr. spent Sunday in Decatur with relatives.

Drew Thomas House and wife of the U. S. Navy and Honolulu visited his sister, Mrs. Ralph M. Ferguson here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burton were guests of Mrs. C. A. Burton and family over the week end.

Miss Billie Ray Chesser has returned home after several days in Darwin Clinic after undergoing an operation on a broken arm.

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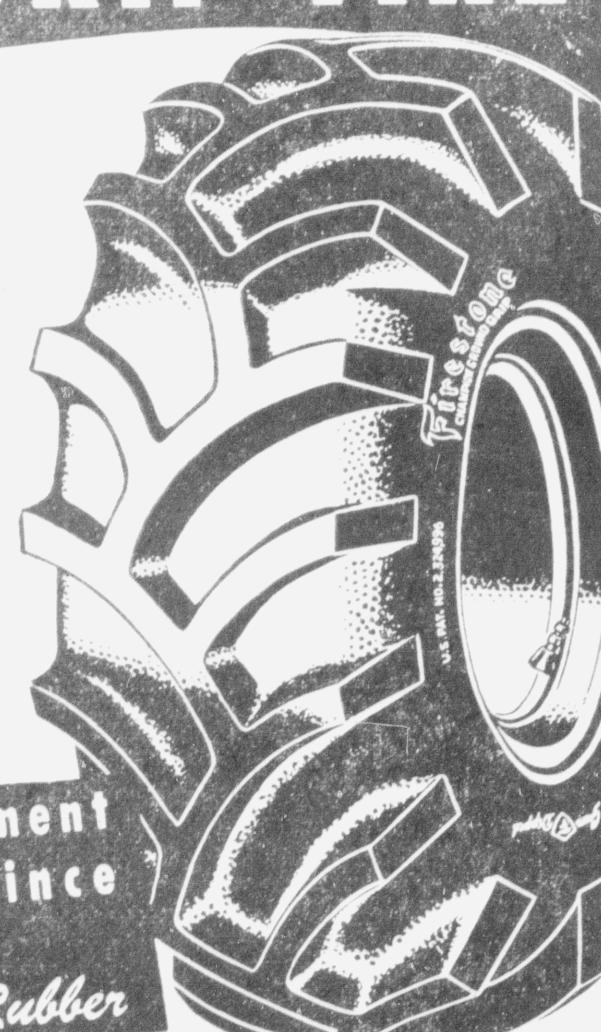
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Farm and Ranch Chatter

By LAYNE BEATTY, WBAP

The "granpappy" of the vetch industry around Rising Star, is the original drill which was used to plant the first vetch there in 1942. It has drilled over 2000 acres of vetch.

Local folks, in their enthusiasm for this legume soil building crop, have invented a "drill trailer," for carrying this kind of farm machinery from one farm to another. Made of cast iron pipe, it will pick up the farm machine and hold it aloft, while being towed.

Around 2000 persons attended the field day there last Thursday.

For the first time in Texas, insects have badly damaged many fields of vetch this year. However, with the arrival of moisture for renewed growth, and ladybugs to destroy the aphids, losses weren't as heavy as predicted.

June is the ideal time to mow sagebrush to keep it under control and to get maximum improvement of grass, reports the experiment station at Woodward, Okla.

Bryon Williams, manager of the Hopkins County chamber of Commerce is a handy man with a well turned phrase. He says farmers in that county who have turned to dairying are graduates of "C, C, and M. College." The initials stand for Cotton, Corn and Mules.

With the advent of the boneless turkey steak, it is practical to serve turkey any time during the year, any day of the week, any meal. The war-inspired increased turkey production left a surplus of \$140,000,000 pounds of turkey in cold storage last winter, but this stored supply has all but been consumed now.

On May 28, 29 and 30 in Fort Worth comes the second annual Chicken of Tomorrow contest. The modern, streamlined chickens will be judged as live birds one day, processed the next day, and judged as dressed birds the next. Personally, we'd like some fried chicken today, as well as tomorrow.

Boll weevils are slow in coming out in south and central Texas this year. Neither are the flea hoppers as abundant in the Lower Rio Grande Valley this year as last. But these reports are early.

Here's a departure from the prevalence of barbecue as the favorite food when large numbers of Texans congregate. Catfish, presumably from Caddo Lake, will be served at the Harrison county soil and pasture improvement tour on June 2. But Panola county reverts to the old standby during its tour the next day.

News that more accidents happen in the home than anywhere else, and more in the kitchen than any other room, is no reflection on brides' cooking, as far as we know.

Eldon Williams of Port Arthur was here on business last week.



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We shall not have our regular preaching service Sunday morning on account of the Baccalaureate Service at the College. We hope everybody will attend Sunday School at 9:45. The Baccalaureate Service for the High School Seniors will be in our church Sunday evening.

Our Vacation Bible School will open Monday morning, June 2 and close June 13. Plans have been made for a great school. A more detailed announcement will be made next week. Parents are urged to cooperate with us by making it possible for their children to attend every session.

ROY ANDERSON, Pastor

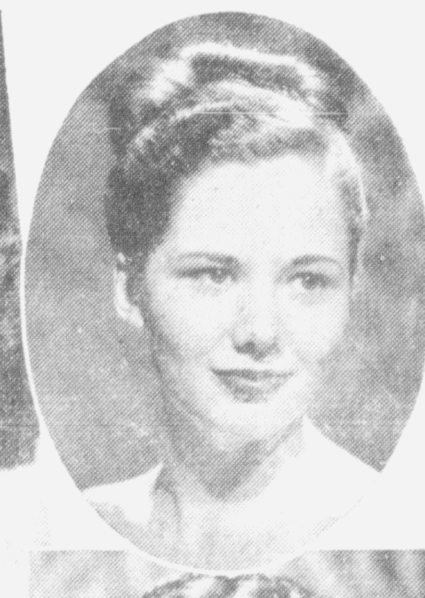
Mrs. Dave Breedlove is reported ill in a local hospital.

Mrs. Don Wilson of Pilot Point, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Wilson of Denison were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Renshaw.

Mrs. Dot Groszke visited her brother, Paul Eerden and Mrs. Eerden, over the week end.

Mrs. Johnnie Seuder underwent an appendectomy in a local hospital last week. She is reported doing nicely.

— READ THE ADS! —



TSC BEAUTIES

DENTON (Sp1)—The four prettiest girls at Texas State College for Women, according to 150 leaders Frankie Masters are: (top row) Mary Ann Wainwright, (middle row) Mary Ann Wainwright, (bottom row) Mary Ann Wainwright.

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Majolica Vase

By
L. T. McFARLAND

HARRY LANG had come prepared to spend fifty dollars for the vase. He sat nervously watching the auctioneer, the people, and the door and prayed that Marjory Higgins (that horrid spinster who seldom missed an auction, and always outbid him for his treasures) had broken a leg or something so she couldn't appear this time when the Majolica vase was to be put up on the block.

He strained his neck for the hundredth time toward the entrance. He wondered if her knowledge of antiques covered old pottery. Maybe not. Maybe his auction-sparring enemy didn't know a Majolica vase from a beer mug. Yet the very thought of those snapping eyes and that crisp sanguine voice sent his blood pressure soaring.

"What am I bid for this Majolica vase?" A rare antique! Rarest thing in this room!" the auctioneer's well-oiled voice boomed forth while his free

hand gestured out over wash tubs, kraut shovels, and the toll-worn carpet sweepers.

There it was! Harry looked about cautiously and held his breath for the sheer beauty of it.

"Who will start the bid?" the auctioneer coaxed.

"Five dollars," Harry called out. The girl was nowhere in sight.

"Thank you, sir, five dollars. Who will make it ten?" Thus the bidding proceeded until thirty was reached.



She pictured her proud exit with the vase safely tucked away.

THE crowd was swaying restlessly. Interest was on the wane. Harry took a plunge. "Forty," he finally said. Now the vase was practically in his lap, but the auctioneer held on. "Forty-fifty—is all I am offered—who'll make it fifty—?"

"Fifty," called a clear voice near the door.

Suffering cats! It was her voice. The crowd turned en masse to see Marjory Higgins make her way up the aisle to a spot almost directly in front of Harry. She stood there, confidently, already picturing her proud exit with the vase in her possession.

Harry ground his teeth and muttered, "Sixty."

"Seventy-five," the crisp voice came back at once as Miss Higgins tossed a swift challenge back in Harry's direction.

"Eighty," Harry took the challenge, and this time Marjory flushed and seemed embarrassed.

"Eighty," teased the cryer. "Eighty I am offered. Make it eighty-five, Miss."

The girl nodded. "Eighty-five." Harry was really seeing red.

"Eighty-five it is. Now make it ninety, Mister, make it ninety. Don't let the lady outbid you."

Harry sensed that the crowd to a man was on the lady's side and were inwardly rooting for her, enjoying her sportsmanship—so he raised up and shouted, "Ninety."

Now he had it. The auctioneer scolded and pleaded and begged but Marjory was immovable. She must be pouting. She heard the "Going—going—gone."

THEN it happened. Marjory Higgins whirled about and faced Harry Lang. She was trembling. "You cheap skate!" she shouted. "You penny pincher! It's not the money, but the principle of the thing that burns me up. All this embarrassment over a measly nickel or two. Ninety cents—well you don't get it for ninety. I bid one dollar. So there! And now that the vase is mine, I'd like nothing better than the privilege of breaking it over your head."

She stepped up to the stand and snatching the vase from the for-once speechless auctioneer, threw it with all her strength at Harry Lang's dome. Lucky for Harry he had made his record in football catching forward passes. A moment later it lay neatly tucked away under his arm.

"Touchdown," someone shouted and the crowd surged forward pushing Harry Lang until he was face to face with his assailant.

"Thanks, Madam. Thanks very much for the vase—the clerk will be along in a minute to collect your bid," he managed as the crowd pressed up. And in the riot that followed, Harry edged his way outside.

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Washington News Letter

By Congressman ED. GOSSETT

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 17 Two notable events occurred in Washington this week which have been most pleasing to many of us. One was the President's signing the Portal to Portal bill, i. e., the bill which outlaws 98 per cent of the portal to portal suits now pending; the other was the action of the Supreme Court in upholding the so-called Southern Railway case for freight rate equality. The first bill introduced by me upon coming to Congress was one seeking to remove freight rate discrimination against the South and West. During each session of Congress, I have urged others in introducing such legislation. In many speeches and articles, I have condemned this economic handicap imposed

on the people of Texas and other Northeast. We have been ridiculed by the so-called freight rate experts and by the railroad lobby generally. Two years ago the Interstate Commerce Commission after long and extensive hearings, handed down a decision holding that the alleged discrimination did exist, and that there was no justification for such unequal freight rates. The faces of the railroad lobbyists and their "experts" became exceedingly red. Among other things, the railroads have always contended that it costs more to move freight in the Southwest than in the Northeast. Non-partisan studies have shown the exact reverse to be true. Now that the federal courts, including the highest court of the land,

have upheld our contention and have upheld the Interstate Commerce Commission in this matter, it appears that at long last we are going to secure some equality in transportation charges.

Under the law passed by Congress last year, all persons lobbying in Washington are required to register with the Congress and file quarterly reports. Reports filed in Congress this week show that organized labor maintains the largest lobby, with 75 paid workers on the rolls. Incidentally, the next largest lobby is the so-called DP (displaced persons) lobby. Millions of dollars are now being spent by numerous organizations and individuals on propaganda to break down our immigration walls. This DP lobby wants us to bring into this country hundreds of thousands of refugees from the DP camps in Europe. This is one of the most dangerous and vicious programs ever instigated in this country. It is supported by many humanitarian organizations that do not

know what they are doing. We maintain 229 DP camps in our occupied zone of Europe. Of the 800,000 persons we are feeding in these camps, only 200,000 were displaced persons when the war ended. While there are many good people in these camps, there are also vast hordes of bums, and criminals, and political conspirators of all hues. Instead of lowering the immigration barriers, this is the time to raise them. The immigrants who will come from these DP camps are not the kind that built America, but are the kind who will destroy it.

One constructive thing on which this Congress is now working, is the creation of a National Scientific Foundation. It is contemplated that such a foundation would not only carry on military research but also medical research. We spent two billion dollars to develop the atomic bomb. The same money and brains that split the atom ought to be able to find cures for cancer and many other pernicious diseases that destroy life, happiness, and efficiency.

Grand 'Ole Opry Coming May 29th.

Grand Ole Opry stars are coming to town Thursday, May 29. This is the home town of Texas Ruby and her sister Sue, who will be here in person with her partner, Curley Fox, the national champion fiddler, and many others. Come out and see how many you remember. Ruby will be glad to see you all. She is also bringing Uncle Dave Macon, Lazy Jim Day and the Fox Hunters.

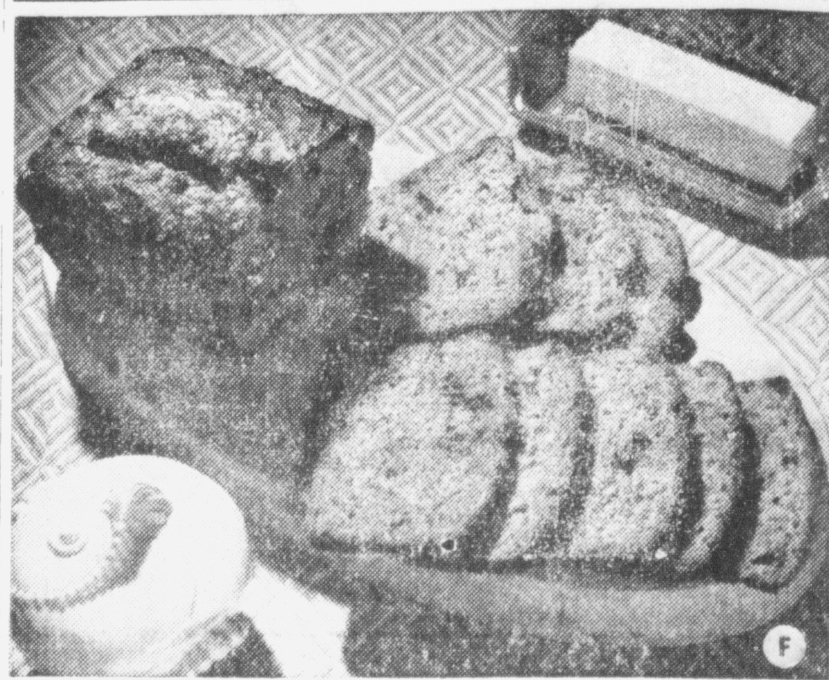
Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Rawlings and children of Fort Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Cook over the week end.

FUNDAMENTALIST CHURCH

For the past two weeks Pastor E. E. Taylor has been conducting a series of night services for Rev. Roy Sullivan's church in Fort Worth. Rev. Taylor occupied the pulpit here Sunday morning, exchanging pulpits with Rev. Sullivan for the evening service. Rev. Sullivan brought an interesting message on "God's Call and Man's Answer" Sunday evening. Over three hundred were present for and on time for Sunday School.

At the morning hour a special offering was taken for the Maddux Avenue Children's vice.

FOR THE SPRING MENU



Prunes, nuts and the juice and pulp of an orange—sugar and spice and everything nice—all these go into making Prune Orange Bread! Delightfully flavorful and satisfying, this new member of the versatile quick bread family is a happy addition to any spring menu.

The simplest dinner will take on importance if slices of this fruit bread are added to the bread basket. It is excellent served with afternoon tea or coffee, too. And the children will find sandwiches made from Prune Orange Bread, with peanut butter or cream cheese between the slices, a pleasant surprise in their lunch boxes.

A single loaf of Prune Orange Bread can serve all these menu purposes, for the abundance of fruit keeps the bread temptingly fresh for several days. In fact, it is better to bake it the day before serving, for such fruit breads all slice in more precise thin slices on the second day.

This bread is a highly nutritious addition to the meal. Like all products made from enriched white flour, it provides valuable amounts of protein, in addition to carbohydrates, "B" vitamins and iron.

Prune Orange Bread is easy to make according to the following recipe:

PRUNE ORANGE BREAD

1/2 cup shortening	2 teaspoons salt
1 cup sugar	1 teaspoon cinnamon
2 eggs	1 cup ground whole orange, pulp and juice
3/4 cup chopped cooked prunes	1/4 cup milk
2 1/2 cups sifted enriched flour	1/4 cup chopped nuts
4 teaspoons baking powder	

Cream together shortening and sugar until light and fluffy. Add eggs. Beat well. Add prunes and mix thoroughly. Sift together flour, baking powder, salt, and cinnamon. To creamed mixture add flour mixture alternately with ground orange and milk. Mix thoroughly. Add nuts and mix well. Bake in greased loaf pan in moderate oven (350°F.) about 1 1/2 hours.

Yield: 1 loaf, 4 1/2 x 8 1/2 inches.

Home of Fort Worth. Sunday at both hours. Regular Fourth Sunday Singing in the afternoon.

It is planned to have a new Sunday School group to be ready for occupancy next Sunday morning. The young men and women are cordially invited to worship with us.

GOSPEL MEETING AT ALVORD, TEXAS

A Gospel Meeting will begin May 26 at the Church of Christ at Alvord, Texas. Paul Stephens

of San Antonio, Texas, will do the preaching. Everybody is welcome. Come and bring your friends.



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A. L. DUNCAN, Mgr.

Cowpeas Selected by Wallace Gregg For Outstanding Yields of Seed, Hay

UPPER WEST FORK SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS

Wallace Gregg of the New Salem Conservation Group reports 16 acres of Chinese Red Cowpeas up to a good stand. This particular variety of the cowpea was selected for it's outstanding yields of seed and hay and it's resist-

ance to drought and diseases. An excellent stand was secured by seeding at the rate of only six pounds per acre in 36-inch rows. Longer yields have been insured by the application of superphosphate with the seed. Mr. Gregg is thoroughly sold on the need for a phosphate fertilizer on his land and from observing unphosphated

strips in his Vetch field, he has concluded that Hairy Vetch is one crop that should never be seeded without fertilizer.

Mr. Gregg is also working on his pasture improvement program and is succeeding in pushing Bur Clover much further up the slope than it would normally be considered as adapted by sweeping up the Burs each summer, mixing with barnyard manure and spot seeding with a shovel.

E. H. Reed is another of the New Salem Group who is moving ahead with his soil improving program as outlined in his cooperative agreement with the Upper West Fork Soil Conservation District. Reed has just received technical assistance furnished under this agreement by the Soil Conservation Service office in Bridgeport in seeding 8 acres of Sericea Lespedeza for trial. Sericea, sometimes called the poor land alfalfa, is a deep rooted perennial legume that gets better and stronger the older it gets and would be a boon to the dairy farmers of this section. Reed applied 150 pounds of superphosphate per acre under this seeding which is a field trial for hay and seed production under the Trinity River Floor Control revegetation program.

Cecil Bullard, Balsora Group, has 2 1-2 miles of new field terraces and 1200 feet of new diversion terraces which just about completes the mechanical protective measures for his cultivated land.

J. H. Thetford of the same conservation group has completed 3000 feet of field terraces.

C. W. Carson, Boonsville Group, is protecting his fields with 1200

feet of diversion terraces, and 1500 feet of field terraces.

Mrs. Ella McKissick, New Salem Group, has a field of Madrid Sweet-clover showing a good stand.

— READ THE ADS! —

Trends of Market Prices This Week

(USDA)—Some easiness cropped up at most southwest farm markets last week, but few products suffered much net loss, according to the Production and Marketing Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Light offerings of wheat and sorghums pushed prices up several cents early last week, and corn and barley followed, but later losses erased all gains, except on barley and sorghums. Wheat closed Friday at \$2.75 per bushel for No. 1 hard; and corn at \$1.96 for white, and \$1.91 for yellow No. 2 milo brought \$3.15 per hundred pounds.

Moderate quantities of milled rice moved to Cuba and domestic markets this week. Planting of the new crop made good progress. The downward trend in feed prices halted abruptly, as bran and shorts jumped \$9 to \$12 per ton, and other feeds held steady to strong. Alfalfa had not fully adjusted to the new crop basis; but prairie hay remained in urgent demand. New Mexico growers sold some well grown fine wools direct to mill.

Egg prices dropped a cent or two in some areas last week, and

mature poultry showed a slightly weaker undertone. Eggs averaged 36 cents per dozen at Fort Smith; 37 at Denver, Amarillo, and San Antonio, 37 1-2 at Dallas, Fort Worth, and New Orleans; 38 at Topeka and Oklahoma City; 44 at Shreveport; and 45 at Houston and Corpus Christi.

Diminished strawberry shipments from Louisiana brought lower prices last week and auction sales discontinued operation. Heavy supplies of snap beans at New Orleans sold lower. On Denver's wholesale market, cucumbers, strawberries, tomatoes, and green corn weakened. In the Lower Rio Grande Valley, larger quantities of corn and tomatoes loaded at reduced prices. Growers got 75 cents per bushel for white corn, 50 cents to \$1 per half bushel for bantam, and 5 to 7 cents per pound for tomatoes.

Trading in spot cotton increased last week in some markets. Higher grades sold freely, but lower classes met slow demand. After rather wide fluctuations, Friday's prices stood at \$2.75 to \$4.75 lower for the period.

Butcher hogs closed last Friday about the same as a week earlier at most southwest markets, but some sows and feeder pigs weakened. Closing bulk price on good and choice medium weights stood at \$23.50 at San Antonio; \$24 at Fort Worth and Oklahoma City; \$25 at Denver; and around \$23.50 at Wichita.

Sheep and lambs saw little price change last week, but San Antonio netted 50 cents advance on spring lambs, while Oklahoma City and Denver weakened some. Closing bulk of good and choice spring lambs brought \$21 to \$23.50 at Fort Worth; \$20 to \$22

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at San Antonio and Denver; and closed a little lower, but many medium to good \$19 to \$23 at classes ended up with some net Oklahoma City. gains. Bulk of common and medium steers and yearlings brought cattle markets were largely lost \$14 to \$18 at Houston; and me late last week, and some spots dium grades turned at \$19.25

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In more than three centuries, the American dairy industry has come a long way. But there's still a lot of hand-skimming—just the same way the Pilgrim Fathers skimmed their milk. That hand-skimming costs producers plenty, averaging 22% lost butterfat. Surveys show water-diluter separators lose an average of 18% of the butterfat, produce lower grading cream.

But mechanical separators, correctly adjusted and operated, will save all but a very small percentage of the butterfat. Moreover, tests have shown that producers who use mechanical separators market up to 71% of first-grade cream, while only about 40% of the hand- or water-separated cream marketed is first grade.

Thus, with even only three cows, a mechanical separator can pay for itself in as little as six months and begin earning a profit. The five minutes a day it takes to wash and sterilize a separator pays out well in dollars and cents.

Of course, there's a lot more to milk and cream quality than the method of separation used. It begins with healthy cows. Cleanliness every step of the way, quick cooling and frequent marketing—all count heavily. Nearly all state agricultural colleges offer detailed bulletins of improvement of the market value of milk and cream. They are profitable reading.

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Soda Bill Sez:

... in order to make his dreams come true a man has to be wide awake
... that usually the less a man knows, the more he wants to tell it.



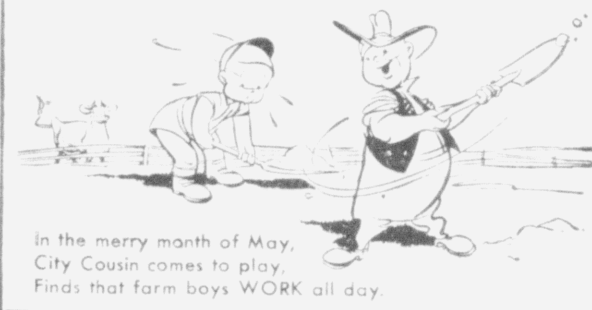
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Write Swift & Company, Dept. M, Chicago 9, Illinois, for your copy of the booklet "Increasing Your Income from Quality Eggs."

Martha Logan's Recipe for CHOCOLATE NUT COOKIES

(Yield: 3 dozen cookies)

1/2 cup lard 6 tablespoons cocoa
1 egg (or 2 squares chocolate)
1 cup brown sugar 1/2 teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon vanilla 1/2 cup milk
1 1/2 cups sifted flour 1 cup broken nut meats

Beat egg. Add sugar gradually. Melt lard and add. Beat. Add vanilla. Alternately add sifted dry ingredients and milk. Add nut meats. Drop from teaspoon on an ungreased baking sheet. Bake in a moderately hot oven (400° F.) 10 minutes.



Early Cut Hay is Better Feed

As Reported by Mark A. Shipley University of Nevada

Steers wintered on meadow hay cut early in the season gained 151 pounds per head while a similar lot of steers fed late-cut hay lost 2 pounds per head. This interesting information is revealed in a report of an experiment conducted by the University of Nevada.

The two lots of steers averaged 535 pounds at the start of the feeding experiment in November. They were weighed again at the end of 100 days with the above result.

The hay classed as early cut was put up on July 10, and that classed as late cut was harvested on September 10.

After the 100-day period, all the steers were shipped back to the summer range which they had been on the previous summer. They were marketed in September. By that time, the lot fed the early-cut hay weighed 69 pounds more than those fed late-cut hay, according to the Nevada report. At 15 cents a pound, the extra gain was worth \$10.35 more per steer.



The Not-So-"Good Old Days"

In the "good old days" maybe your grandfather butchered three or four steers. The beef that he didn't need for his own use he could peddle without much trouble.

Today his grandson—perhaps it's you—may produce 30 or 300, or possibly 3,000 steers a year. It would be out of the question for you to butcher them yourself, and an utter impossibility to peddle from door to door all the beef you'd have. So you send your steers to market. There they are purchased by meat packers with facilities to handle thousands of head a day. There they are converted into meat. There's a minimum of waste. By-products are turned into useful products. And the meat is distributed to markets near and far, each weight and grade going wherever it will sell best.

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F.M. Simpson.

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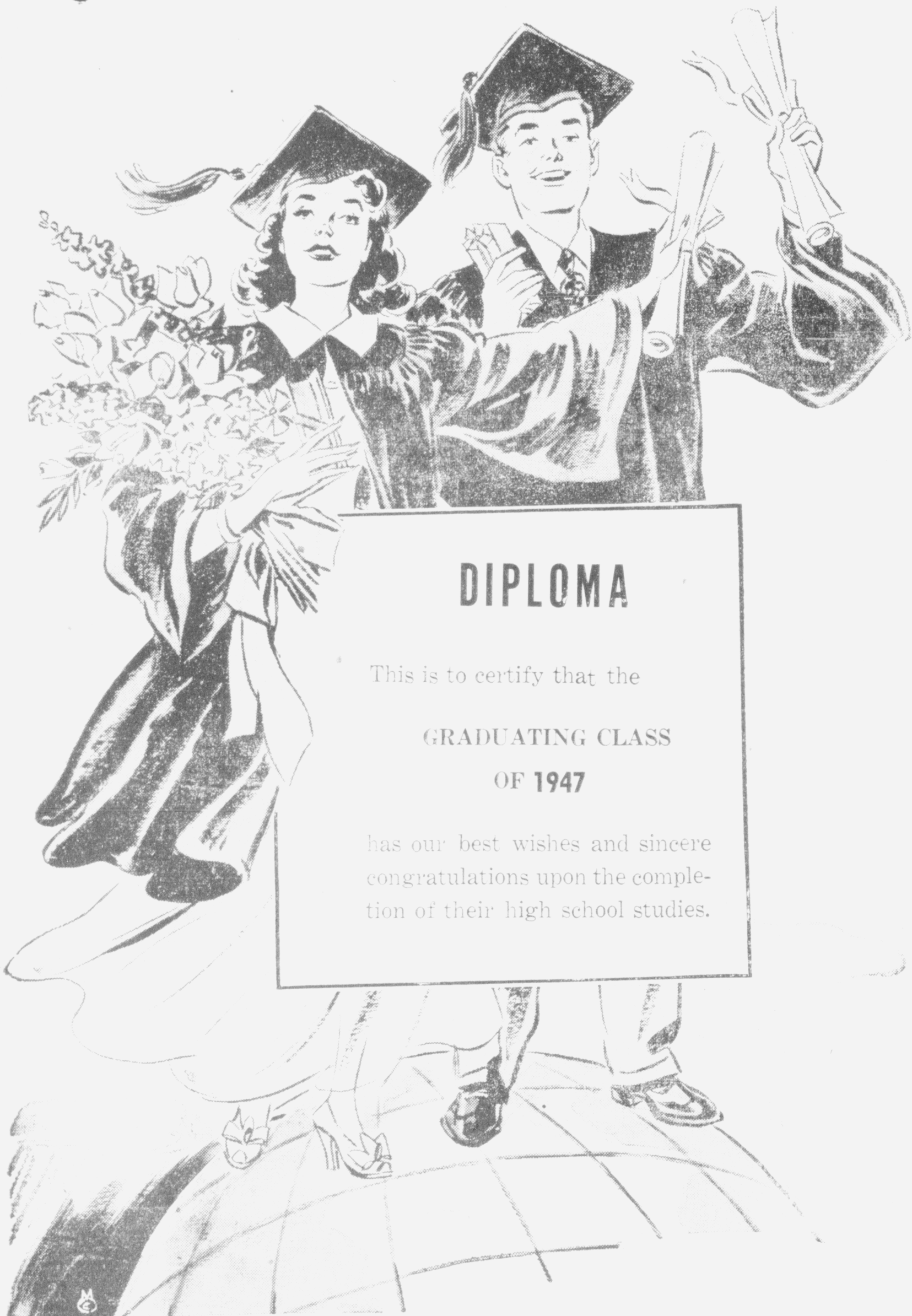
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Gardening Called Exercise That Benefits All Ages

Both in producing nutritious food, and providing healthful exercise, home gardening makes important contributions to the national welfare. Watson B. Miller, administrator of the Federal Security Agency, told the National Garden Conference in Washington, D. C.

"The relation between diet and health is axiomatic; the best fed people are invariably the most healthy," he said. "Through backyard and vacant-lot gardens, we can strengthen the American diet, and play a vital part in building and maintaining a plentiful, varied menu."

"Garden products reward their users with clear eyes, good complexions, sound gums and good digestion. According to Drs. McCollum and Simmonds, the liberal use of protective foods means, in addition to their value as preventive medicine, 'preservation of the characteristics of youth.' The protective foods, among which vegetables and fruits rate high, will do more for women than beauty shops."

"Good health, however, means more than the mere absence of disease or infirmity; it means more than just good nutrition. Good health means a positive state of physical, mental and emotional fitness. Avocational gardening is probably far superior in contributing to this state of well-being."

"For example, the physical exercise which gardening entails is suitable in the extreme to the urban

dweller, who works all day in an office, shop or factory. It has the advantage of more strenuous sport and recreation in that it can be geared to any age and physical condition.

"Less obvious but equally important are the healthful reward to the gardener's nervous system, his mind and emotions. Contact with the outdoors, with soil and sunshine and growing plants, is one of the city dweller's best counterbalances for the strain of urban living."

"Confirmed pre-war gardeners have always known the salubrious effect of planting, tending and harvesting growing things, even for the well person. Victory gardens made this value more widely known. Many Americans today do not need doctors or supervised rehabilitation. But their lives are surrounded by confusion and conflict. They can find heightened physical, mental and emotional health in a garden. "Gardening is unequalled for relaxing the body and mind of a person who works under constant mental strain or in an atmosphere of high tension. This outdoor exercise restores buoyancy and resiliency to the mind, and promotes more harmonious physical development. For the worker whose eight hours a day are monotonous and restricting, gardening offers satisfying variety and means of self-expression. For any gardener, it is a fine way to work off irritations and frustrations."

FACULTY PARTY

The faculty of the public school had their last party for the year last Thursday night. The affair was in the form of a fish fry—but the committee carried fried chicken along just in case the fish were not biting—all of the chicken was eaten.

There were about fifty people to attend this last party. After the social events were over a short business session was held. Mrs. John Gunn, President, appointed the following nominating committee to suggest officers for the coming year. The committee consisted of Miss Bell Ford, chairman, Mr. E. L. Gantt and Miss Fay Cocanougher.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School will meet at the church next Sunday at 9:45 a. m. and adjourn in time for all to go to the College for the Baccalaureate services at 11 o'clock. The Baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Dr. J. Howard Williams of Dallas, Executive Secretary of the Baptist State Convention. At night the congregation of the Baptist Church will join in the High School Baccalaureate Exercises at the Methodist Church, where Rev. R. H. Watkins will preach the sermon.

R. E. BELL, Pastor

SINGING CONVENTION

The annual all day singing meets in Addington, Okla. on Sunday, May 25, in the Addington High School Auditorium, beginning at 10 a. m. and lasting all day. Already 19 leading quartets have written they will be in the convention.

Dinner will be served at noon. The Addington community is making preparations to feed 1,500 people at the noon hour. Judging from past attendance, it is estimated 2,500 people will attend this convention. Everyone is invited.

ADDINGTON COMMUNITY SINGING ASSOCIATION

RAIN AND WIND

A heavy rain and high wind visited the county and practically all the state early Tuesday and through most of the day. Winds were exceptionally high during the early morning hours, and the rainfall added another two inches to the already wet soil.

It's getting to be about harvest time throughout the whole section and the rains and winds are now doing considerable damage to grain and cotton over a wide section. Creeks are bank full and overflowing, and the sun, which came out Tuesday afternoon, it is hoped, will remain out for some time to come.

Tour of Land Utilization Project Will Be Made Wednesday, May 28th.

Supervisors of the Denton-Wise Soil Conservation District will sponsor a tour on the Land Utilization Project on Wednesday, May 28, John D. Faught, chairman, announced today.

The tour will leave from Alvord at 10:00 a. m., visiting various plantings of native and introduced grasses, and will be conducted by technicians of the Soil Conservation Service. Methods of seeding, seed harvest, and use of equipment will be stressed. After a noon lunch, to be held Dutch style outdoors, a short meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held. Following this meeting Dr. Bern Scott of Stephenville will speak on "Nutrition and its relation to Soil Conservation".

All cooperators interested in reseeding grasses as a part of their Conservation plans are urged to attend. Mr. Faught stated.

Mrs. Carl Haedze Jr. and son, Carl III of St. Paul, Minn., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Pinkerton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Brown and granddaughter, Sue Brown, visited Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Brown in Dallas Sunday.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

The special Bible courses being conducted by the Church of Christ for the past two months will reach their point of interest next Lord's Day at ten o'clock. The study at that time will be the final subject on "Church Organization", that of "How Officers Are Put Over the Church". The entire membership and their families are urged to hear this lesson discussed.

Attendance for all the courses has been good for the size congregation, and the church has been greatly helped. Attendance last Lord's Day surpassed the peak for many years.

Mr. Malpus, the special Bible Instructor, will finish the two months of teaching, and will be leaving for a vacation Bible School in Artesia, N. M. He will preach at the eleven o'clock hour, and conduct a special Bible drill at the evening hour, 7:15.

Plan to attend and bring a friend.

A. E. Clark of Pauls Valley, Okla. visited Mrs. E. B. Clark and family the past week.

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